# VOTE

# **Glen Pearce-White**

Bringing politics back to the people



A Liberal Vannin Party Candidate

## Why I'm standing as a Liberal Vannin Party Candidate

The Liberal Vannin Party's main principles are openness, transparency and accountability at both National and Local Government levels. These principles are close to my heart and that is why I have chosen to stand as a Liberal Vannin Party Candidate in the forthcoming Local Elections.

Peter Karran MHK and other members of the Party have had years of experience in politics. As a Party member I will be able to call upon their knowledge and experience to assist me through the regular branch meetings. In this way, I can achieve far more as a Party member than working on my own.

Being accountable to the people of Laxey is important to me. This ties in with the Liberal Vannin Party ethos.

With your support I can make a difference.

Glen Pearce-White

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Leader of the

Liberal Vannin Party

I have known Glen Pearce-White for a number of years. I have always found him to be a totally honest and trustworthy person. His sound business background equips him to be a good Commissioner.

He has always shown an interest in representing all sections of the community. I am sure that a vote for Glen is a move in the right direction for the people of Laxey.

# Laxey Commissioners Election 24th April 2008

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#### Dear Voter,

It is an honour to stand for Laxey Commissioners as a Liberal Vannin Candidate in the forthcoming Local Authority Elections.

I am 57 years old and have lived in the Laxey area for ten years. I am now semi-retired and have the time to serve the people of Laxey. Over the years I have gained extensive business experience in a number of fields; many of you will know of my connection with Whites Newspaper Distributors.

The Isle of Man has been good to me and I believe that the time has come for me to put something back into society. As one of your Commissioners I would like that opportunity to contribute to the life of the village.

I understand that Local Commissioners have limited powers. The key to achieving success is working together with central Government. I believe that this co-operation can create improvements and enhance the quality of life for us all.

The Commissioners need to be resolute when dealing with central Government in order to build a better future for the residents of Laxey. I have outlined the various issues I intend to tackle if elected as one of your Commissioners.

I am trying to visit everyone but I am sure you will appreciate that, in the limited time before the election, this may not be possible. However, if there are any issues you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Issues I intend to tackle

#### Housing:-

We need more local government housing and first-time buyer homes built in the Laxey area. As a Commissioner I would like to see this issue addressed because the housing crisis has affected so many people in our community. I would like to see the Princes Motors garage site used for much needed sheltered accommodation. Working alongside Social Services, I would like to secure more facilities for our senior and disabled citizens.

#### Refurbishment of dilapidated buildings:-

As a Commissioner I will investigate any funding available from DOLGE to support a local area scheme for the refurbishment of dilapidated buildings. I will further investigate any rate support to encourage business development in Laxey.

#### Helping Laxey to flourish:-

Manx National Heritage, along with Laxey Heritage Trust and the MER have worked very hard to make Laxey an attractive place. The gardens and flower beds have been well looked after by faithful volunteers. This is much appreciated by the community. In order to make Laxey flourish, we needs to host more events. These events need to be planned well in advance and organised in such a way as to involve local residents.

The Blues Festival event is still going ahead albeit on a smaller scale. Despite some difficulties in the past, the festival organisers hope to produce a good event this year. If elected, I will ensure that local sentiments are taken into consideration.

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#### Provision for young people:-

More facilities are needed for the youth of Laxey. The Laxey Football Club has been a great success but we must remember that not all young people are interested in sport. These young people also need an opportunity to display their talents in a constructive manner. Investing in the youth of a community always has long term benefits. If the youth are neglected their powerful energy can become misdirected. As a Commissioner, I would approach DOE to investigate whether or not Laxey can have a full time Youth worker.

#### Crime:-

Laxey has a low crime rate which we're proud of. This can only be enhanced through public vigilance, good street lighting and a visible police presence in the village. If elected, I will liaise with the Department of Home Affairs to maintain a good level of policing.

#### Finances:-

At a Local and National level, public money is too easily spent with no real idea of the long term implications. I want to be part of a strong Local Government to ensure that that the failed Capital Projects of National Government are not passed on to the local ratepayer.

#### Laxey Commissioners:-

In the interests of openness and accountability, I believe that the Minutes of the Commissioners meetings should be uploaded onto the website promptly. While there is some sensitive material that should remain private, the local people need to be kept informed about decisions made by the Commissioners. Public money should always be accounted for.

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